

HONGKONG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday afternoon at the City Hall. The Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett presided, and there were also present, Hon. Mr. H. Kieswick, J. W. C. Bonnar, H. A. Siebs, W. Logan, G. H. Medhurst, F. H. Armstrong, G. Friesland, H. W. Robertson, N. J. Stabb (committee), G. Balloch, Murray Stewart, J. Wilkie, A. Charlton, J. J. Loire, J. W. Bolles, A. Forbes, W. A. Dowley, G. H. White, W. G. Humphreys, W. C. Jack, F. Lieb, D. K. Sotra, F. P. Talati, W. Andel, G. M. Young, Wong Loung Hin, C. S. Gubbay, G. Hogg, J. Owen Hughes, A. J. Barroto, H. Schmidt, U. G. Darby, T. F. Hough and W. Dicks n.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen.—The report and accounts for the Chamber for the year 1910 have been in your hands for some days, and with your permission therefore we will take them as read. Before formally putting the resolution now before the meeting, I will make a few remarks as to the more important matters which have been dealt with by the Chamber during the past year. Taking them in statu, the first subject, in itself perhaps of not now so great moment, was the position taken up by the Harbour Master in putting his own construction upon certain regulations controlling the earnings of Asiatic passengers in vessels passing through this port. In this individual case the protests made by the Committee were favourably accepted by the Government; and we are assured similar difficulty will not arise in the future. The reason why I make special reference to the matter is this, that while admitting Government regulations are in the greater majority of cases enforced with moderation and common-sense we have, however, from time to time, and this unfortunately of late years especially in the Department I am referring to, found rules insisted upon without the above-mentioned saving clauses. I could, if necessary, quote cases to prove my contention, but at the moment it only appears necessary to refer to the fact that an unreasonably strict adherence to the exact letter of the law may seriously affect the prosperity of our Colony and has in the past actually resulted in permanently diverting certain sections of trade from our harbour.

HARBOUR DUES.

Most of us, though we have all passed by Aden, would hardly have considered there was much in common between these two widely-sundered ports, but a letter from the Port Trust of that station has again raised the question of Harbour Dues on shipping, by asking whether a reduction in these might not induce more vessels to call. Needless to state, the reply has been entirely sympathetic. Almost from the first time of the existence of our Chamber our predecessors have urged upon the Hongkong Government the desirability of freeing shipping from all charges whatsoever, and whenever (as has happened from time to time) an anxious Governor or greedy Treasurer casting a rapacious eye over the harbour has decided, in order to balance his books, or to procure funds for public works, to increase taxation the cry has always been the same: put up the light dues. The policy is unsound, and as I have emphatically stated on more than one occasion in the long run calculated to react against the prosperity of the Colony. I am glad therefore of the opportunity thus offered us by our adjacent brother dependency of the Crown to reiterate these statements.

BONDED WAREHOUSES.

The next matter of importance dealt with in the report is that of certain old-established firms being refused, and without any explanation being offered, the right already granted to many others, chiefly native wine merchants, to having their own bonded warehouses. This appeared to be so detrimental to the trade and so opposed to the promises made by his Excellency when this most unpopular measure dealing with the liquor trade was introduced, that the Committee took the matter up strongly, and we are glad to be able to report that the Officer Administering the Government ultimately acceded to the request put forward.

THE JAPANESE TARIFF.

During the year copies of the proposed new tariff with Japan were received from the Government, and the attention of the members of the Chamber, and the public generally, was specially directed to the matter. There is unquestionably much to which exception might be taken on many points in this tariff, and we trust the representations on the subject which we now understand are being made to the Japanese Government may result in considerable modification being made to meet the requirements of British trade with Japan. To show how in some directions the demands of the Japanese may seriously injure, if not altogether destroy, certain branches of business now in existence, I will here refer to the question of proprietary medicines entering into Japanese territory which is fully explained in a later part of the report.

TRADE MARKS.

That very important measure, the proposed trade marks Ordinance, has again received further consideration during the year, while owing to the construction placed by the Harbour Master upon certain regulations controlling the importation of naphtha for motor use, an appeal to the Government was necessary with the result that this latter question has been satisfactorily settled. You will notice that with a view to reducing the possibility of disputes between importers and purchasers of piece goods, a proposal has been put forward that a standard form of contract should be adopted. A sub-committee, composed of representatives of some of the leading importing houses, was appointed, who, however, reported against the proposal.

ARBITRATION.

The question of arbitration has recently been before the Committee, and though not mentioned in the report it is perhaps worth stating here that one of the questions which it is desirable the incoming Committee should deal with is the drawing up of a form of undertaking so that when reference is made to the Chamber both parties to the arbitration should enter into an agreement to accept the award when given.

THE OPIUM MONOPOLY.

There are many other matters which have been considered by the Committee during the year under review, but as these are all duly set forth in the report and appendix detailed reference to them does not appear necessary. One question, however, of very great importance and which has constantly occupied our most earnest attention throughout the past ten months has been the renewed attempt, this time so far, unsuccessfully, by the Viceroy of Canton to establish a monopoly for the sale of raw opium in Kwangtung and for levying a special tax which at present stands at \$480 per cwt, and it is intended shall increase at the importations are gradually reduced. As you are aware, of late years successive Viceroys have constantly made similar and equally illegal efforts to interfere with the opium trade under the plea of restricting smoking, but in reality in order to increase their revenues. This specious excuse was in this instance also at first advanced, but has now been abandoned, and the Viceroy frankly admits that the money now raised is to replace the loss caused by the stonewalling of licensed gambling. Not only has a serious blow been struck at a valuable branch of our trade, but there is a wider and more important principle involved, viz., whether a local Chinese Official is to be permitted for the purpose of raising additional revenue to ignore any or all treaties which have been made with Foreign Powers and impose such restrictions and imports on foreign trade as may suit him, in defiance of all treaty obligations. An enormous mass of correspondence bearing on the question is now in the hands of the Committee, but it has been considered advisable not to publish this until the whole matter, which is now under discussion between the two Governments, has been finally settled. In the meantime, I will confine myself to stating that so far as the Committee is concerned no opportunity has been missed for endeavouring to have a stop put to this entirely unjustifiable action on the part of the Kwangtung Authorities. Numerous telegrams and despatches have been addressed to H. M.'s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the British Minister at Peking and the London Chamber of Commerce, while, as you all are already aware, the matter has been very strongly taken up by the Hongkong Government, who from the first has thoroughly supported the protests of the British merchants concerned. I have had repeatedly to refer to the question on several occasions, and as I have previously reminded you the whole history of our Chamber is a record of one long fight against similar interference with lawful trade by the Chinese Provincial Authorities, an interference which commencing with opium has not infrequently been extended to other branches of our trade. In past years similar attempts have been nipped in the bud through the prompt action of the British Officials, either in Canton or Peking. Unfortunately in this case the Consul-General at Canton did not view the matter in the same light as his predecessors, stating that he saw nothing illegal in the Viceroy's proposals, and that so long as no difference was made between native and foreign opium he would make no representations on the subject to the Viceroy unless ordered to do so by his superior officers. The Provincial Authorities having now tasted blood will not lightly give up the fight, and the monopoly still continues, the illegal taxes are still being increased, in spite of the assurance of the Waiwupui given to the British Minister that definite instructions have been sent to the Viceroy to discontinue the tax. The result of the negotiations now being carried on is awaited with interest, for as I have already stated, the principle at stake is more than that of the fate of a single article of commerce, however valuable that particular commodity may be.

(Applause.)

(A) That the effect of the Declaration is to alter the Law of Nations as hitherto maintained in a manner entirely unprecedented and to expose to capture or deliberate destruction food supplies borne to any part of Great Britain in neutral vessels.

(B) That the absence of any provision in the Declaration for preventing the conversion of merchant vessels into commerce-destroyers on the high seas constitutes a valid reason for praying His Majesty's Government to decline to ratify the Declaration or to proceed with the Naval Prize Bill.

(C) That the admission of the principle of destruction of neutral prizes would be in the highest degree prejudicial to the interests of this country.

These recommendations were formally adopted by the Council of the London Chamber of Commerce on 14th November last. In order to make the position of H. M. Government plain in the matter, correspondence bearing on the subject was presented to both Houses of Parliament (Miscellaneous No. 4.1910). This correspondence as here published was carried on between the Foreign Office and the following bodies:—The Glasgow Chamber of Commerce, The Leith Shipowners' Society, The Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce, The British Branch of the Naval League, and the Belfast Chamber of Commerce, who together may be taken as well representing the various Committees more directly interested in the overseas trade of our Empire. 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E. A. HEWEITT,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co., Hongkong.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1911. [430]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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THE Steamship

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Hongkong, 20th March, 1911. [431]

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By Order,
H. W. C. DERMER,
Secretary.

19, St. Swithin's Lane,
London, E.C.,
9th February, 1911. [454]

DIOCESAN SCHOOL & ORPHANAGE.

M. R. H. SYKES has been Appointed Acting Headmaster during the absence from the Colony of Mr. G. PIERCY.
P. T. JOHNSON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1911. [462]

G. J. STODART KENNEDY,
R. NOTICE.

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W. CHATHAM,
Director of Public Works.
Public Works Office,
Hongkong, 17th March, 1911. [461]

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 7 of Tramway Ordinance, 10 of 1902, of my intention to apply to the Governor in Council for power to construct two additional short track curves each 45 feet long joining the present Tramway Track in Russell Street, Bowrington, Opposite I. L. 731.

J. J. STODART KENNEDY,
General Manager,
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THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the Office of the General Managers, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 25th day of March, 1911, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1910, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 20th day of March, 1911, until SATURDAY, the 25th day of March, 1911, both days inclusive.

SHewan, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1911. [450]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Buildings, at 12.15 P.M. on SATURDAY, the 28th March, 1911, to receive Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1910, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 14th March to 28th March, both days inclusive.

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LTD., W. G. DARBY, General Manager.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1911. [428]

INTIMATIONS

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATURDAY, 25th March, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members and Devonians wishing to attend are requested to send their names to

M. S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1911. [403]

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Hongkong, 18th March, 1911. [465]

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exchange for surrender of same.

By Order,

JAMES CRAIK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1911. [464]

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE DINNER.

THE ANNUAL DINNER of Members of

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[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

MARCH 18TH.

THE MANDARIN DIALECT.

The Mandarin dialect is spoken in nearly every part of the Empire with the exception of the two Kwongs and Fu-kien. It has seemed a pity to the Canton Self-Government Association that those living in these provinces should speak a different language from their fellow-countrymen. The Association has therefore opened a night school for the study of Mandarin, and it is hoped that this school will supply a long-felt want. The average Cantonese has an unbounded contempt for any language other than his own, and so the number of students in the school is by no means large.

THE NUMBER OF GAMING HOUSES.

Some days ago the officials ordered an account of the number of gaming houses and the number of people employed in them to be sent in. The report is just to hand, and shows that in Canton City and Honan there are 356 fan-tau houses. Of these 18 are first class, 27 second class and 323 third class. These houses employ no less than 4,483 men as fokis, croupiers, touts, etc., and if the houses are closed there will be that total to add to the already enormous number of unemployed that this city contains.

GAMBLING MONOPOLIST'S DOWNFALL.

Some time ago I reported that the lottery monopolist, So Ping Shu, was in debt to the Government for a very large sum. The full amount is said to be 1,547,000 taels. Some time ago he was seized and kept in confinement in the Kwong Chow Prefect's Yamen and given a certain time to refund the money. This he has failed to do, and he is now imprisoned in the Nam Ho Gol. The Viceroy has sequestered his property, which is said to be worth only about 50,000 taels. This man is also stated to be indebted to various banks for sums amounting to more than 80,000 taels.

VICEROY AND SELF-GOVERNMENT SOCIETY.

The Viceroy yesterday attended a meeting of the Canton Self-Government Society. The discussion of the gambling question was the most important item on the agenda, and H.E. arose, and in the course of his speech said that licensed gambling really would be abolished on the first day of the 3rd moon. H.E. made some remarks on the weakness of the Government, and urged the gentry to come forward and give their support to those endeavouring to bring about a better state of affairs in the province. A member of the society arose and suggested that a dispatch be sent to the Portuguese authorities in Macao urging them to stop the gambling in that town. H.E. then asked for suggestions regarding the treatment of those found gambling after the houses had been closed down. A member suggested that a fine of \$100 be imposed for the first offence, \$200 for the second and a lengthy term of imprisonment for the third.

SOLDIERS AND THEATRES.

There is a continuous strife going on between the proprietors of the theatres and the military authorities regarding the privilege of soldiers to enter the theatres for half-price. The manager of the Tung Kwan theatre has just written to the Director of the Military Bureau asking him to restrict the number of the soldiers visiting the theatre on any one evening to thirty.

The Director has refused to do so and has replied that the theatres lose very little money in this way. He also says that some concession of this kind must be made to the soldiers, otherwise there would be serious trouble. This does not seem to be a very great recommendation for the discipline and reliability of the troops.

THE WINE MONOPOLY SQUABBLE.

The squabble over the wine monopoly is not yet entirely finished. Although the monopoly has been definitely given to the Hong Chai Company, some of the adherents of the Wine Guild faction are still keeping up the strike and refuse to sell either wine or rice. The Taotai of Police has just issued orders that the masters of the closed shops are to appear before him and give an account of their conduct.

A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs has notified the Viceroy that a distinguished Japanese gentleman will shortly visit this province on a tour of inspection. His visit has to do with commercial affairs, so the Taotai of Industries has been ordered to make all arrangements for the visitor's reception.

AN UNLUCKY BRIDE.

A man here has a son who was born with deformed arms, these members being only about four inches long. He cannot dress himself and he has to be fed like an infant. His father betrothed him to a young girl who was told nothing of the man's deformity. On the day of the marriage the unlucky girl, having found this out, procured some opium which she swallowed. She was at once attended to and her life saved. The next day she ran away and her whereabouts are still unknown.

A LICHEN MONOPOLY.

Still another monopoly is likely to be granted. A man named Chang San Liu has offered the Bund Bureau a sum of money annually in return for a rich monopoly. The matter was referred to the Viceroy, who considered the scheme favourable and has told the petitioner to have a conference with the Director of the Bund Bureau, the Taotai of Industries and the Taotai of Police.

JUDGES AND "PERNOCTATION."

In a case heard in Dublin, counsel spoke of a place of pernoctation."

Lord Chief Justice O'Brien—That is a great word, I must say. I never knew that there was such a word.

Mr. Justice Wright—Oh, yes; there is.

Lord Chief Justice O'Brien—I ask my brother Madden, who is the great authority on English law, has he ever heard of it?

Mr. Justice Madden—No.

Lord Chief Justice O'Brien—I have grave doubts about it when my brother Madden has not heard it.

Mr. Justice Madden, having consulted a ponderous dictionary, said: "Yes, here it is. It means: 'passing the night,' and—this no doubt counts for our brother Wright's knowledge of it—is a word especially in ecclesiastical use meaning spending the night in prayer." (Laughter.)

Mr. Justice Wright rejoined—I am much obliged to my brother Madden.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

HISTORY FROM ITS INCEPTION, 29TH MAY, 1861, TO DATE.

[BY THE HON. MR. E. A. HEWETT, CHAIRMAN.]

(Continued from yesterday.)

In April Sir Claude Macdonald passed through Hongkong on his way to Peking to take up the post of British Minister. He granted an interview to the Committee of the Chamber, when several matters of importance were brought to his attention, notably the opening of the waterways of Kwangtung to foreign trade, the removal of obstructions by Chinese officials to goods sent up country under transit passes, and the extension of the boundaries of the Colony, which is unquestionably required, decided to force the shipping to pay half the cost. The decision recorded by the Chamber in 1898 is to the effect that "The Chamber is of opinion that this necessary work (i.e., a harbour of refuge) should be paid for out of the General Revenue of the Colony and that they strongly deprecate any retrograde movement which threatened renewed interference with the freedom of the port."

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On the 9th January, 1899, a very largely attended public meeting was held in the City Hall, at which Lord Charles Beresford made a long address dealing with the results of his enquiries while in the Far East and pointing out the various lines on which in his opinion our intercourse with China and other Powers working in this part of the world should be conducted. The address showed the thoughts of the various questions more directly under the notice of those resident in China, and how thoroughly he had studied the whole problem during his visit to the Far East. The open door, a fair field, and no favour for all, being the watchword he pursued.

At the annual meeting held in April, 1899, reference was made to the extension of the borders of the Colony and the attempt by the Chinese Government to retain Kowloon City and establish Customs stations in the waters of the Colony, both of which attempts had happily been defeated.

The unsatisfactory working of the Post Office was again commented on, while reference was made to the very unequal for attack by the Director of the Kowloon Observatory upon the Jesuit Fathers at the Manila Observatory, in consequence of which the Committee had communicated with the Hongkong Government, and at the meeting a resolution was passed thanking the Reverend Fathers for the valuable services they had for so many years rendered to the shipping trade of the Far East.

Later in the year a good deal of discussion took place between the Governor and the Chairman (Mr. R. M. Gray) as to the necessity for raising additional revenue to meet the increased expense of administering the Colony due to the taking over of the new territories.

His Excellency among other proposals suggested an increase in light dues and the imposition of harbour dues.

The Chairman opposed any tampering with the freedom of the port, and it was with great satisfaction that the Committee learned later that the Secretary of State for the Colonies had rejected the proposal to increase the taxes on shipping, for the purpose of general revenue.

The next question was that of an attempt on the part of the Viceroy of the Two Kwangs to revive the illegal monopoly and taxation of kerosene, but owing to the remonstrances made by the British Consul at Canton the scheme fell through.

The question of the flooding of the Colony by Kwangtung subsidiary coin was again the subject of correspondence with the Government, a special Committee being appointed by the Governor to consider the question, with the result that the contemplated legislation against Chinese coin was abandoned.

The year 1900 was comparatively uneventful so far as the Hongkong Chamber was concerned, attention being largely taken up with the disturbed condition of China.

In September the Chamber joined with others in making a protest against what they considered was the too speedy withdrawal of the allied troops from Peking, and sent a protest to this effect to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs through the London Chamber of Commerce, in which they were strongly supported by that Chamber.

A proposed amendment to the Bankruptcy Ordinance having been considered, the Committee passed a resolution urging upon the Government the necessity for providing for the compulsory registration of partners in Chinese firms or Hong, and some interesting information was given by the Secretary at a Committee meeting held on 10th December as to the history of the attempt which from time to time had been made to legislate in the direction indicated.

A special Committee consisting of Mr. A. G. Wise (Puisa Judge), Dr. Ho Kai and Messrs. Wei Yuk, John Thurnburn and Long Pui Chi was appointed to consider the question, and after going carefully into the matter reported against the proposed registration.

The whole history of this question is fully set forth in the appendix to the annual report of the Chamber for 1901.

In January, 1901, a proposal put forward by the Capt. Superintendent of Police for the compulsory registration of servants was considered, but found impracticable.

Another question which, before and since, has come before the Committee was that of the danger caused to life and property by the manner in which native craft hamper steamers entering the port. This is more particularly related to Chinese boarding-house runners, who forced their way on board while the vessel was still under weigh.

The question of the proposed increase in import duties next received the attention of the Chamber, as it was understood that certain of the Treaty Powers, whose interests in the sea-borne trade was not large, were anxious to agree to China largely increasing the duties in order to live her to pay the heavy war indemnities now being demanded.

The Shanghai Chamber of Commerce and the China Association also asked the Committee to support their protest. This was done, and on reference to the London Chamber both also took the matter up strongly with the Home Government.

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Yong Sam—Sheep's Heart, each 6

Yong Kon—Sheep's Liver, " 24

Yong Iu—Sheep's Kidneys, each 9

Chu No—Pig Brains, perset 24

Chi Lap—Pig's Eye, " 25

Chi Tau—Pig's Head, " 19

Chi Iu—Pig's Kidney, " 9

Chi Fa—Pork Chop, " 20

Chi Sam—Pig's Heart, " 13

Chi Tai—Sucking Pigs (to order), " 30

Shang Ngan Yau—Beef Stew, " 20

Shang Yen—Mutton Stew, " 22

Ngau Tsai—Veal, " 20

Ngau Lai—Beef, " 20

Pork

Kai Teal—Chicken, " 30

Sin Kai—Capons, " 78

Pan Kai—Doves, " each

Shang Shou—Wild Duck, pair 93

Ap—Ducks, " 22

Bai Tan—Hen's Eggs, " 24

Kai—Fowl, Canton, " 32

Hoi Nai Kai—Fowls, Halman, " 23

Ngai—Geese, " 22

Shing Hoi Yi—Ngoy—Gueeso, " 20

Shi—Salmon, pair

Wid Duck Shanghai, pair

Pak Koy—Pigeons, Canton, each 65

Om Chon—Quail, " 20

To Tsoi—Hare, " "

Mus—Dove, " "

Chi Ku—Pheasant, " "

Wo Fa Teak—Rice Birds, doz. "

Fa Ts'—Pipes, " each 25

Shu Ap—Pheasant, " 55

Fo Kai King—Turkeys, Cock, lb. 60

Fo Kai Mu—Turkeys, Hen, " 60

Fier

Kai Yu—Barbel, " 11

Pin Yu—Bream, " 16

Pan Shou Yu—Canton Fresh water Fish

Le Yu—Carp, " 20

Mai Yu—Cat Fish, " 5

Mai Yu—Codfish, " 15

Mai Yu—Cruel, " 18

Mai Yu—Cuttle Fish, " 15

Shi Mang Yu—Dab, " 16

Wong Mei Yu—Dace, " 12

Tit To Shu—Dog Fish, " 9

Hoi Sin—Eels, Conger, " 16

Tum Shui Sin—Eels, Fresh water

Wong Sui—Eels, Yellow, " 16

T'in Kai—Frogs, " 32

Shau Pak—Garlic, " 66

Pak Kap Yu—Gudgeon, " 12

Hai Hau—Halibut, " 28

Wong Fa Yu—Labrus, " 18

Lung Ha—Lobsters, " 20

Shi Yu—Mackerel, " 22

Chai Yu—Mullet, " 22

Mong Yu—Mong Fish, " 28

Shang Ha—Oysters, " 20

Kai Kung Yu—Parrot Fish, " 16

Tau Lo—Perch, " 15

Hau Tsu Yu—Pike, " 8

Fu Po Tun—Plaice, " 18

Pak Chong—Pomfret, White, " 28

Pak Chong—Black, " 22

Ming Ha—Prawns, " 45

Pak Kai—Salmon, " 9

Chi Kai—Shark, " 16

Ma Ya—Salmon, Canton, " 28

Shang Yi—Salmon, Fresh Water, " 24

Pak Yu—Shrimps, " 11

Lop Ya—Soles, " 23

Wan Yu—Tench, " 15

Tei Han Yu—Turbot, " 20

Kai Yu—Turtles, small, fresh, " 20

Pak Bit Yu—Whit. Bait, " 10

Hong Yan—Almonds, " 25

Kam Shan Ping Ko—Apples, California, " 25

Tin Tuan Ping Ko—Apples, C. 100, " 12

Hoi Tui—Apples, small, C. 100, " 12

Yan Chi—Avocados, Custard, " 10

Yan Pan Ping Ko—Apples, " 10

Jui—Wild Pears, " 10

Shang Sheng Huang Tzu—

Kai—Apricot, Canton, " 20

Kai—Banana, " 15

Kai—Ginger, " 15

Kai—Lamb, " 15

Kai—Macadamia, " 15

Kai—Peaches, " 15

Kai—Pineapple, " 15

Kai—Pomegranate, " 15

Kai—Pork, " 15

Kai—Pork, " 15

Kai—Pork, " 15

TRAINING OF SEAMEN.
SIR WALTER RUNCIMAN'S GRAVE
WARNING TO SHIPOWNERS.

Sir Walter Runciman, Bart., was elected president of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom at the annual meeting held at the Cannon Hotel, London, last month.

In the course of his presidential address Sir Walter made reference to British seamen and the decadence of that pride of race which, in other days, used to be the claim and strength of our nautical supremacy. A party and prejudice had, he said, eaten like a canker into this vital part of our national organism. The advent of steam brought with it a new order of things. The necessity of continuing to train seamen in steamers, as had been the custom in sailing vessels, was considered by some misguided, though estimable, people to be a complete fallacy. Of course, it was nothing of the sort, but the truth did not readily seize the modern imagination. It was ludicrous to imagine that seamen could not be trained on steamers to do the specific work of steamers, and those who had had long years of successful experience of this mode of creating modern seamen would vigorously advocate it as the best and wisest method of keeping up the supply of men imbued with robust efficiency.

IF NOT VOLUNTARILY—THEN COMPULSORILY!

The flippant and altogether unsound reason given by some owners who were opposed to carrying apprentices was that they had trouble with them in various ways, and the answer to that was, "Do not be too easily troubled." Was it not worth much trouble to know that they were using the means at their disposal for the purpose of rearing a race of healthy, well-disciplined, competent men for their own service?

Compulsion was always distasteful, but they must depend upon it if they did not as a whole bestir themselves, by tackling this matter voluntarily, the Legislature would some day see in it a national danger and find some plan that might be agreeable to them of enforcing a recruit and training system in their own way, and not that of the shipowners.

The Shipping Federation was doing its best to popularise the system of apprenticeship, and disinterested gentlemen were giving unsolicited their money and time to encourage the making of sailors.

They were on the verge of a possible shortage of men; indeed, this contingency was inevitable if they continued to pursue a policy of insane defiance of an imperative duty to the State and to the mercantile marine, by refusing to train men for their own service, whether by sail or steam. In his opinion, in order to keep pace with the normal demand, every British ship, sail or steam, should carry a full complement of boys, say, four in each steamer from 2,000 to 5,000 tons d-d-weight, and in anything above five or six.

THE CELESTIAL EMPIRE,
TASK BEFORE THE NEW GERMAN MINISTER.

Herr Adolph von Flosser, the well-known German diplomatist, who was formerly in the service of the German Foreign Office, has expressed the following opinion on the mission of Herr von Haxthausen, the new German Minister in Peking:

"Great events await the new Minister. China stands at the present moment in the midst of a most important movement of internal reform, which in a few years will give her a constitutional government, and also in the midst of a beginning of a greater military power than the world has yet seen, and yet her present political situation is far from satisfactory. In the first place, Japan and Russia have fought out their quarrel in her territory, and now she is uncertain whether she has more to fear from a war with Japan or a war with Russia."

"From the point of view of Japan a strong and powerful China as a neighbour is not a particularly pleasant prospect, as the rich province of Korea, for which she paid so much blood and gold, might easily escape her grasp again. On the other hand, the ever-increasing settlement of Russian Colonists on Chinese ground is looked upon with increasing disfavour in the Nationalist circles in Peking, whose evident desire it is to emulate the example of the Young Turks. Nevertheless, it may be assumed that China would prefer Russia as her next and nearest neighbour rather than Japan, whose people are so little loved by the Chinese."

"The United States has endeavoured to take advantage of the difficult position in which China finds herself with regard to foreign political connections, to ingratiate herself with the Celestial Empire, and incidentally to secure for herself some favourable commercial and other concessions. Mr. Knox, the leader of America's foreign policy, however, does not seem to have been particularly fortunate in his attempts in this direction. China's most natural desires at the present moment are to obtain the assent of the Powers to an increase of her tariff, as provided for in the Peking Treaty of Peace, and to form with one or more of the great Powers a combination which shall act as a counterpoise to the Anglo-Japanese Alliance."

"The task which faces our new Minister of observing and following the development of these different political questions and of keeping German interests to the front is not a light one, but it is the kind of task which gives the able diplomatist the opportunity of making his mark above that of his fellows."

THE TRIUMPH OF MODERN MEDICINE.
A STORY FROM HARBIN.

Some time ago, when the plague was at its height in Harbin, a story, it will be remembered, was published in the Press about an old-fashioned doctor in that city. Undaunted by the terrible situation, the said old gentleman confined his professional labours among the plague victims, his total outfit consisting of a needle, with which he regularly punctured his patients. It seems that the heroic practitioner had no belief in inoculation, never heard of the plague bacillus or any other germ, and took no precautions whatever to protect himself, while he administered his treatment. After over sixteen hundred plague victims passed through his hands, and of course all died. In this latter respect he was no less successful than his colleagues. It must be said that he had unbounded confidence in his manner of treatment, but the most remarkable part of the whole thing is the fact that he still lives, while several of the foreign doctors, in spite of their precautions, died.

The success of the sanitation authorities in Harbin in checking the spread of the plague and in reducing the death rate has impressed the old man immensely, and news has now reached Peking that at last he has confessed to the superiority of modern medicine and methods to his own. He has shown unusual admiration for the western-trained physicians, and as a token of supreme respect he has presented Dr. Wu Lin-tai with his famous needle.

It is reported that the needle is being taken care of very affectionately, and it is hoped that with the proper nourishment supplied, outcome of the plague may be obtained from it.

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18th Mar., Rice—Asgard, Thoresen & Co.

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ARRIVALS

BUJUN-MARU, Japanese str., 1,830, S. Yamane, 20th March—Swatow 19th March, General Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
CARL DIEDERICHSEN German str., 774, Chr. Jürgensen, 20th March—Haiphong and Hanoi 20th March, General-Jobson & Co.
FRI, Norwegian str., 20th March—Canton.
HAKATA MARU, Japanese str., 3,820, A. Mooker, 21st Mar.—Moji 15th March, General Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
INABA MARU, Japanese str., 3,373, S. Tomimaga, 20th March—Seatai via Poole 14th Feb., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
LINAN, British str., 1,350, C. C. Williams, 19th March—Shanghai 15th March, General Butterfield & Swire.
MARIE, German str., 1,193, Christensen, 20th March—Saigon 16th Mar., Rice—Chinese.
WANSHING, British str., 20th March—Canton.
YATSHING, British str., 1,424, S. J. Payne, 20th March—Sourabaya 6th March, Sugar Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
20th March.

Cheungking, British str., for Swatow.
Fookting, British str., for Shanghai.
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Haiyin, British str., for Swatow.
Promtheus, British str., for Singapore.
Sambia, German str., for Singapore.
Shinsui Maru, Japanese str., for Bangkok.
Teintau, German str., for Hainan.

DEPARTURES
20th March.

AUSTRIA, Austria str., for Shanghai.
CHIYUEN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
SILESI, German str., for Singapore.
TIJTAOEM, Dutch str., for Amoy.
ZAFIRO, American str., for Manila.

PASSENGERS
ARRIVED

Per Linan, from Shanghai, Mr Arpis
Per India Maru, from Seattle, &c., Mr J. S. Chubb and Mr S. Soto.
DEPARTED
Per Zefiro, for Manila, Mr Tamman, Mr and Mrs S. C. Lee, Misses A. B. and K. Chapman, Mr and Mrs Dutton, Mr B. Lam, Mr J. K. Brown, Mr T. Adams, Miss Ruby Crystal, Mrs A. Hendon, Miss Virginia Young, Mr Bong Sam, Mr B. H. Macke, Mr F. Block, Madame de Bound and maid, Mr B. Ulves, Mr V. Hilario, Mr L. Velutin, Mr A. de Jesusam, Mr L. de Vera, Mr E. Velasco, Mr F. S. Fister, Mr Mara Lemay, Mrs Henien and Mr E. Morrisroe, for Ilculo, Mr and Mrs Taylor and child, and Mr George Whalen.

VESSELS EXPECTED

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The P. M. S.S. Co. str. China is due to arrive Hongkong to-day between 6 and 8 a.m.
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THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL
The E. & A. str. Empire left Sydney on the 16th inst. for this port (via Queensland ports, Port Darwin, Timor and Manila).

THE CANADIAN MAIL
The C.P.R. Co.'s str. Montague left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong (via Manila ports of call) on the 6th instant p.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL
The I.G.M. str. Kleist, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 22nd ult., left Singapore on the 18th inst. at 11 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 23rd inst., at 5 a.m.

THE INDIAN MAIL
The Indo-China str. Laisang from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on the 15th inst., at 4 p.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS
The str. Clarendon passed the Suez Canal on the 14th ult., and is due here to-day.

The Mogul Lite str. Montrose from United Kingdom left Singapore on the 15th inst., and is due here to-day.

The I.G.M. str. Princess Alice left Singapore on the 18th inst. at 10 p.m., and may be expected here to-day at daylight.

The O.S.K. str. Mexico Maru from Tacoma, arrived at Yokohama on the 31st inst., and left thence for this port via Kobe and Shanghai, and is due to arrive at this port on the 23rd instant.

The H. A. L. str. Senegambia left Singapore on the 17th inst. noon, and may be expected here on or about the 23rd inst. p.m.

The "Bon" Line str. Bernader from Antwerp, Middlesbrough, and London, left Singapore on the 16th instant for this port.

The "Shiro" Line str. Flintshire left Singapore for Hongkong on the 18th instant, at 7 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 25th instant.

The N.Y.K. str. Bingo Maru (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Colombo and Singapore on the 10th instant, and is expected here on the 26th instant.

The Mogul Line str. Pathan left United Kingdom on the 12th instant for Hongkong via Straits.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL

Febr. 21st—C. F. Lanei, Cathay, Flintshire, Laeris, 24th—Belgavia, Idomenus, Kintuck, Palma, Schuyler, Sanda, 28th—Benvenuto, Bintang, March 3rd—Bewolich, Indrasamha, Patroclus, Shimosa, Ville de la Ciotat, Indra, Sacken, 7th—Aki Maru, Memnon, Slavonia, Sicilia, 10th—Academico, Nubia, Monmouthshire, Sterton, 14th—Bewolich, Caledon, Okina, Daure, Sicilia, Tenska, Arcadia, 17th—Jason, Lothian, Meyskay, Maru, Prins Edel Friedrich, Prins Ludovic, ARRIVALS AT HOME
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HAIRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	Eckhorn	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINIE	On 30th inst.	
MARSELLLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KANAGAWA MARU	Jap. str.	G. H. Buder	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	24th April.	
MARSELLLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str.	K. Kawara	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	23rd inst.	
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VICTORIA, C.B. & TACOMA via JAPAN, &c.	SEATTLE MARU	Jap. str.	K. Noda	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	19th April.	
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	Laumont	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	29th inst. at Noon	
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TAITUAN		Brit. str.	L. Dawson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	12th April, at Noon.	
NIKIO MARU		Jap. str.	M. Yingl	NIKKO YUSEN KAISHA	30th inst. at 11 A.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	M. Windeler	MELCHERS & CO.	About 4th April.	
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KOB & YOKOHAMA		Jap. str.	F. Isoko	NIKKO YUSEN KAISHA	19th April, at 1 P.M.	
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SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI		Brit. str.	T. A. Mitchell	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	About 22nd inst.	
SHANGHAI via SWATOW & AMOY & FOOCHOW		Brit. str.	O. Pahlke	MELCHERS & CO.	To-morrow, at 8 A.M.	
SHANGHAI		Jap. str.	C. C. Williams	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	24th April.	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA		Brit. str.	Eckhorn	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	23rd inst. at 4 P.M.	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA		Brit. str.	A. Harris	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINIE	24th inst. at M'night	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA		Brit. str.	E. W. Cookman, B.N.R.	25th inst. at D'light		
NIKIO MARU		Jap. str.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	26th inst. at 11 A.M.		
STRAITHARDLE		Am. str.	S. J. G. Parsons	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	29th inst. at 1 P.M.	
CHINA		Jap. str.	H. S. Bradshaw	MELCHERS & CO.	30th inst. at 1 P.M.	
CHIYO MARU		Jap. str.	Kotzsch	NIKKO YUSEN KAISHA	29th inst. at 1 P.M.	
HERCULES		Jap. str.	V. Zwart	NIKKO YUSEN KAISHA	7th April.	
CORLENZ		Jap. str.	J. Meathrel	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	26th inst. at 10 A.M.	
TAITUAN		Jap. str.	Forsyth	NIKKO YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 3 P.M.	
NIKIO MARU		Jap. str.	A. E. Hodges	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 3 P.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	J. W. Evans	DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.	24th inst. at 11 A.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	A. H. Stewart	DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.	25th inst. at 11 A.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	W. C. Passmore	DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.	26th inst. at 10 A.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	F. Jamison	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	28th inst. at 11 A.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	A. W. Outerbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Noon.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	F. Wheeler	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-day, at 4 P.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	S. Siddon	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	25th inst. at 2 P.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	S. Creaby	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	28th inst. at 4 P.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	M. C. Smith	MELCHERS & CO.	30th inst. at 4 P.M.	
KUMANO MARU		Jap. str.	F. Semill	NIKKO YUSEN KAISHA	End of Mar.	
KUDAT & SANDAKAN		Jap. str.	E. Bradley	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-day.	
OMBAY via SINGAPORE, & COLOMBO		Jap. str.	E. J. Todd	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-morrow, at Noon.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA		Jap. str.	Van D. Jalink	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	28th inst. at Noon.	
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c.		DUT. str.			Quick despatch.	

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
LONDON and ANTWERP	STEAMERS	11 A.M., 22nd Mar.	Freight and Passage.
VIA SINGAPORE, PEKING, NANKING, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	Capt. G. Phillips, E.N.E.	Mar.	Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, PALMA and YOKOHAMA	Capt. E. W. Cockman, E.N.E.	About 25th Mar.	Freight only.
SHANGHAI	Capt. H. S. Bradshaw	About 30th Mar.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DEVANHA	Noon, 1st April	See Special of Call.
Capt. H. Powell	PORT SAID	April	Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP	VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and ANGOLA	About 5th April	Freight and Passage.
PALAWAN	Capt. C. R. Longden, E.N.E.	April	Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1911.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION			
FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	
SWATOW, WEIHAIWEI & TIENSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 21st Mar., 3 P.M.	
AMOY and SHANGHAI	"WUHU"	On 21st Mar., 3 P.M.	
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TEAN"	On 21st Mar., 4 P.M.	
HAIKHONG	"SINGAN"	On 22nd Mar., Noon.	
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 23rd Mar., 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 25th Mar., Mid-night.	
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 28th Mar., 4 P.M.	
MARINA, ZAMBOANGA THURSDAY			DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.
DAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	On 10th April, 4 P.M.	S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUI"

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FOR

SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING.
"HAIYANG" ...	Capt. A. E. Hodgins ...	TUESDAY, 21st Mar., at 11 A.M.
"HAITAN" ...	Capt. J. W. Evans ...	FRIDAY, 24th Mar., at 11 A.M.
"HAICHING" ...	Capt. W. C. Passmore, ...	TUESDAY, 28th Mar., at 11 A.M.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 3 Days).

STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING.
HAIMUN" ...	Capt. A. H. Stewart	SUNDAY, 26th Mar., at 10 A.M.

Steamers will arrive at and Depart from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier). For Freight and Passage, apply to—

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS

Hongkong, 21st March, 1911.

INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LTD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE and MOJI	"FOOKSANG"	Wednesday, 22nd Mar., 6 A.M.
TIENSIN VIA SWATOW & WEIHE	"CHEONGSHING"	Wednesday, 22nd Mar., Noon.
HAIWEI	"KUITSANG"	Wednesday, 22nd Mar., Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUITSANG"	Wednesday, 22nd Mar., Noon.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Saturday, 25th Mar., 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"TUNGSAHNG"	Sunday, 26th Mar., D'light.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Tuesday, 18th Mar., Noon.

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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA:	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	
S.S. SENEGBAMBIA	24th March	S.S. AMERICA	23rd March
S.S. SUEVIA	7th April	S.S. FREUSSEN	30th March
S.S. BAYEEN	20th April	S.S. ALESIA	10th April
S.S. FREINFELS	6th May	S.S. RHEINFELS	15th April
S.S. SCANDIA	18th May	S.S. SENEGAMBIA	24th April
S.S. SAXONIA	4th June	S.S. BELGRAVIA	10th May
S.S. SAXONIA	15th June		

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1911.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

'PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.'

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	KANAGAWA MARU	7,000	THURSDAY, 23rd March
CAPT. C. H. Butler			
HIRANO MARU	9,000	WEDNESDAY, 29th March at Daylight	
CAPT. H. Fraser			
TANGO MARU	8,000	WEDNESDAY, 12th April at Daylight	
CAPT. K. Kawara			
S. KAMAKURA MARU	7,000	SATURDAY, 25th April, from Kotsu	
CAPT. B. Kon			
S. INABA MARU	7,000	TUESDAY, 28th March, at Noon.	
CAPT. Tomimaga			
S. TAMBA MARU	7,000	TUESDAY, 25th April, at Noon.	
CAPT. K. Noda			
NIKKO MARU	6,000	FRIDAY, 14th April, at Noon.	
CAPT. M. Yagi			
KUMANO MARU	6,000	FRIDAY, 12th May, at Noon.	
CAPT. M. Winckler			
HAKATA MARU	7,000	TUESDAY, 21st March	
CAPT. A. Mocke			
BINGO MARU	7,000	WEDNESDAY, 26th March	
CAPT. S. J. G. Parsons			
AKI MARU	7,000	THURSDAY, 30th Mar., at 11 A.M.	
CAPT. K. Homma			
KUMANO MARU	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 12th April, at Noon.	
CAPT. M. Winckler			

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PASSENGER SEASON, 1911.

SAILINGS AND PASSAGE RATES FROM HONGKONG.

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Steamers. Tons. Leave H.K. To London, per New Steamer.

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the SIBERIAN Route to EUROPE.

The China, with the American Mail, may be expected here to-day at 8 a.m.

The *Klara* with the German Mail of the 22nd Feb., left Singapore on Saturday, the 18th inst. at 11 p.m., and may be expected on or about Thursday, the 23rd inst., at 5 a.m.

FOR	PER	DATE
Singapore		Tuesday, 21st, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Tuesday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore		Tuesday, 21st, 11.00 A.M.
Macao		Tuesday, 21st, 11.15 P.M.
Amoy and Shanghai		Tuesday, 21st, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow, Weihaiwei and Tientsin		Tuesday, 21st, 2.00 P.M.
Macau, Colva and Hoiol		Tuesday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay		Tuesday, 21st, 4.00 P.M.
Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Tasmania		Tuesday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and Shanghai		Tuesday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Chefoo and Nanchang		Tuesday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Hainan, Kobs and Moji		Tuesday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Kobs and Moji		Tuesday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		Wednesday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
Hainan		Wednesday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo		Wednesday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Weihaiwei and Tientsin		Wednesday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.

EUROPE, ETC., INDIA VIA TOTOGIRIN,
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Postage 10 cents)
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in
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Kuching, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria,
Tasmania, Vancouver and Seattle...

Hainan

Shanghai

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow

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It is made in a wide range of 70 colours, including rich dark as well as light shades.
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It sets the hardest of any article yet offered, and neither cracks, blisters, nor peels off.
It is washable three weeks after being applied.
It is a strong disinfectant and should be used in all fever or infectious cases as recommended by the medical faculty.
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Many of the colours will stand on new plaster walls.

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NOTICE.

H. PRICE & CO., LTD.

In pursuance of Section 6 of the Company's Articles of Association, the Directors have decided to issue 3,000 un-allotted Shares (being the balance of 15,000 Shares authorised to be issued under the Company's Articles of Association).

The 3,000 un-allotted Shares will be issued at 20% premium (i.e., \$12 per Share for each fully paid up \$10 Share).

Shareholders whose names appear in the Company's Register, are entitled to One new Share for every Four Shares registered in their names on the 11th day of April, 1911.

Applications for the New Issue should be sent to the Secretary of the Company on or before the 11th of April, 1911, together with cheque in payment thereof, as after that date the Directors will proceed to dispose of all new Shares not applied for without further notice on such terms and conditions as they may think fit.

The new issue will be entitled to participate in the profits of the Company as from the 1st day of January, 1911.

The Transfer Book of the Company will be Closed from the 11th to the 18th April, 1911.

By Order,

A. GHAELTON,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1911.

COMMERCIAL.

EXCHANGE
CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

March 20th.

ON LONDON—
Telegraphic Transfer 194
Bank Bills, on demand 191
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 193
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 196
Credits, at 4 months' sight 196
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight 196

ON PARIS—
Bank Bills, on demand 226
Credits, at 4 months' sight 230

ON GERMANY—
On demand 183

ON NEW YORK—
Bank Bills, on demand 438
Credits, at 60 days' sight 448

ON BOMBAY—
Telegraphic Transfer 133
Bank, on demand 133

ON CALCUTTA—
Telegraphic Transfer 133
Bank, on demand 133

ON SHANGHAI—
Bank, at sight 743
Private, 30 days' sight 751

ON YOKOHAMA—On demand 872

ON MANILA—On demand 740

ON SINGAPORE—On demand 762

ON BATAVIA—On demand 1072

ON HAIPHONG—On demand 147 pm.

ON SIEMREAP—On demand 1 pm.

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SUBSIDARY COINS.

per cent

Chinese 20 cents pieces 37.44 discount

Chinese 10 " 37.65 "

Hongkong 20 " 37.31 "

Hongkong 10 " 37.42 "

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MARCH 20TH, 1911.

STOCKS.

NO. OF SHARES.

VALUE.

PAID UP.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.

BANKS—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$883, sales
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	26	\$285,-
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$80, buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$11, buyers
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$1, sellers
COTTON MILLS—				
Ewe Cotton Spinn'g & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 85.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$86, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 48.
Laon-Kung-Mow C. Spinn'g & Weaving Co., Ltd	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 59.
Sky Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 23.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$74	\$6	\$19, sellers
DOCKS AND WHARVES—				
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$52 d. sal & sel.
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$5	all	\$54, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$62	\$62	\$56, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 65, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 94, buyers
Fenwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$5.
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$24, buyers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	\$10	\$200.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$50	\$50	\$23, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	8,000	\$50	\$50	\$106, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$66, buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$174.
Hongkong South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$1, buyers
INSURANCE—				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$180, sales
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$119.
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$33.33	\$25	\$874.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$336, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$15	\$155, sales
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$835, sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$207, sales
LANDS AND BUILDINGS—				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$95	\$ellers
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$64.
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$30	\$32, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 97.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$46, buyers
MINING—				
Société Française des Charbres du Tonkin	16,000	\$250	all	\$700.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$1	\$24.
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$13.
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$14.
REFINERIES—				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$105, sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	\$50	\$20.
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50.
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES—				
China and Manilla Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$93, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$25	\$25	\$19, sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.B.C., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$293, sellers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$25		